

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1616**

By Senators Brungardt, Abrams, Apple, Bruce, Donovan, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Hensley, Holland, Huntington, Kelly, Kelsey, Kultala, Longbine, Lynn, Marshall, Masterson, McGinn, Merrick, Morris, Olson, Ostmeyer, Owens, Pilcher-Cook, Pyle, Reitz, A. Schmidt, V. Schmidt, Schodorf, Steineger, Taddiken, Teichman, Umbarger, Vratil and Wagle

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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION in support of the Native Nations Law  
2 Symposium and urging the Governor to declare a "Tribal Law Day."  
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4 WHEREAS, On September 14, 2012, the Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas,  
5 the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, the Prairie Band Potawatomi  
6 Nation and the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska  
7 will host the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Native Nations Law Symposium; and

8 WHEREAS, The Native Nations Law Symposium is the longest-  
9 running law symposium of its type hosted, organized and conducted by  
10 tribal nations in the United States; and

11 WHEREAS, The Native Nations Law Symposium will strengthen  
12 tribal courts and institutions and promote education on important legal  
13 issues, including issues pertinent to the State of Kansas, the sponsoring  
14 tribal nations and, more broadly, Indian country throughout the United  
15 States; and

16 WHEREAS, The State of Kansas and the sponsoring tribal nations  
17 have a vested interest in the participation and attendance of area  
18 attorneys, judges, law students, elected officials and the general public at  
19 the Native Nations Law Symposium: Now, therefore,

20 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of*  
21 *Representatives concurring therein:* That we recognize the importance of  
22 the Native Nations Law Symposium and its positive impact upon the  
23 State of Kansas, the sponsoring tribal nations and Indian country  
24 throughout the United States; and

25 *Be it further resolved:* That we urge the Governor to declare  
26 September 14, 2012, to be "Tribal Law Day."